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EXPORT TRADE BY COUNTRY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the increase in United States exports of domestic and foreign merchandise, including Special Category commodities, and unadjusted for seasonal variation, from $2,104.8 million in February to $2,124.7 million in March[1],[2], reflected increases in exports to all areas except Western Europe. Changes in the dollar values of exports to all areas during the period were as follows: Canada, from $307.2 to $328.3 million; Latin American Republics, from $288.1 to $304.9 million; Western Europe, from $808.4 to $772.0 million; and "all other countries," from $701.2 to $719.6 million. Exports of Special Category commodities fell from $228.4 to $195.5 million.

With Special Category commodities excluded, exports of domestic and foreign merchandise increased from $1,876.4 million in February to $1,929.2 million in March. Exports increased to sterling area countries, from $346.1 to $377.7 million and Latin American Republics, from $281.0 to $295.2 million. A decrease was reported in exports to O.E.C.D. countries in Europe, from $651.6 to $627.3 million. There were increases in exports to all continents except Europe and Australia and Oceania.

Exports to Asia rose from $427.8 million in February to $469.9 million in March largely due to increases in exports to India, from $61.0 to $83.0 million; Pakistan, from $28.1 to $38.2 million; Republic of the Philippines, from $27.9 to $35.0 million; and Republic of Indonesia, from $6.9 to $13.2 million. However, exports to Japan, decreased from $169.3 to $163.0 million. The rise in exports to North America, from $438.8 to $470.5 million, was largely accounted for by increases in exports to Canada, from $296.9 to $316.4 million, and Mexico, from $63.8 to $69.4 million. Exports to South America advanced from $170.4 to $177.8 million, mainly reflecting an increase in exports to Venezuela, from $42.4 to $53.3 million. Exports to Africa increased slightly from $98.5 to $99.1 million.

The decrease in exports to Europe, from $692.1 to $670.0 million, was primarily due to lower levels of exports to Italy, from $83.2 to $73.2 million; West Germany, from $119.5 to $111.2 million; Netherlands, from $73.6 to $68.6 million; and Denmark, from $16.8 to $11.9 million. However, during the period, exports to Belgium and Luxembourg advanced from $43.0 to $48.3 million. Exports to Australia and Oceania fell from $48.9 to $41.9 million chiefly as a result of decreases in exports to Australia, from $39.7 to $35.0 million, and New Zealand and Western Samoa, from $8.1 to $6.0 million.

[1]The Bureau of the Census does not have adequate information to measure the effect on the statistics of the dock strike which began midnight December 23, 1962 and continued through January 25, 1963.

[2]See the March 1963 issue of Report No. FT 900-E for seasonally-adjusted figures on total exports, excluding Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments. Seasonally-adjusted data are not available for total exports including Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments or by country of destination.

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EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

COVERAGE: Export statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments to foreign countries. The export statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments (for which separate figures are shown in the footnotes of this report), Mutual Security Program economic assistance shipments, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. (The separate information which is available on exports under P.L. 480 and related laws may be obtained from the Economic Research Service and the Foreign Agricultural Service of the Department of Agriculture.) Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are excluded from export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report, but the export trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as part of the United States export trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries, not entered as imports, is not included in export statistics.

COUNTRY DEFINITION: Although the country of destination is defined as the country of ultimate destination or the country where the goods are to be consumed, or further processed or manufactured, the statistics do not always reflect this definition, as the shipper may not know the ultimate destination of the shipment. In such cases, the shipments are credited to the last country, as known to the exporter at the time of shipment from the United States, to which the goods are to be shipped in their present form. It follows, therefore, that the statistics will tend to be overcounted for shipments to transshipment or merchanting countries and undercounted for other countries. As explained in the footnotes to the table, exports of Special Category commodities are not included in any of the published country totals, for reasons of security.

VALUATION: The valuation definition used in the export statistics is the value at the seaport, border point, or airport of exportation. It is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port of exportation. Transportation and other costs beyond the United States port of exportation are excluded. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

RELIABILITY: The statistics presented in this report are based partly on sample data and therefore are subject to sampling variation that may cause them to differ somewhat from the results which would have been obtained from processing all export documents. For the figures shown in this report, the sampling variability can be ignored since the probable variability due to sampling is either less than $50,000 (the largest variation from rounding of figures) or less than a trivial percentage of the individual totals shown.

In addition to the effects of sampling variation and the difficulties described above under COUNTRY DEFINITION, the data in this report are subject to errors from such sources as the carry-over of data from month to month, errors in reporting or processing, the estimation of shipments valued under $100, and the omission of parcel post shipments valued under $50. Although the effect of such errors on the rounded totals in this report is probably small, the possibility of inaccuracy should be taken into account, particularly in using figures of relatively small magnitude.

Further information regarding coverage, valuation, compilation procedures and precision of export data is contained in the foreword of Reports No. FT 410 and FT 420. For complete statement, see foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MERCHANDISE, BY COUNTRY OF DESTINATION:
MARCH 1963 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(In millions of dollars. N.e.c. indicates not elsewhere classified. Figures for 1963 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1962 include revisions published with the December 1962 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1963. Totals represent sum of unrounded figures, hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts)

Continent and country[1]	March 1963	February 1963	March 1962	Monthly average 1962
Total trade including Special Categories[2]	[3]2,124.7	[4]2,104.8	[5]1,844.8	[6]1,802.4
Western Europe	772.0	808.4	654.4	632.3
Canada	328.3	307.2	334.7	336.8
Latin American Republics	304.9	288.1	288.0	275.9
All other countries	719.6	701.2	567.6	557.4
Total Special Categories[2]	195.5	228.4	174.6	179.5
Type 1	25.8	41.3	29.3	25.6
Type 2	169.7	187.1	145.3	153.9
Net total excluding Special Categories[2]	1,929.2	1,876.4	1,670.2	1,622.9
O.E.C.D. countries in Europe	627.3	651.6	542.7	513.2
Latin American Republics	295.2	281.0	278.6	268.5
Sterling area countries	377.7	346.1	271.9	290.8
North America	470.5	438.8	435.3	448.7
Greenland	...	...	(*)	(*)
Canada (including Newfoundland and Labrador)	316.4	296.9	308.2	319.1
Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands	0.1	(*)	(*)	(*)
Mexico [a]	69.4	63.8	59.2	65.8
Guatemala [a]	7.2	5.5	5.0	5.1
British Honduras [b]	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.7
El Salvador [a]	5.1	3.7	3.3	3.4
Honduras [a]	4.7	3.3	3.6	3.6
Nicaragua [a]	3.6	3.6	4.0	3.9
Costa Rica [a]	6.1	5.0	3.6	4.1
Republic of Panama [a]	11.3	11.3	8.5	8.7
Canal Zone	2.7	1.8	1.3	1.6
Bermuda [b]	3.6	2.8	9.2	3.1
Bahamas [b]	4.5	4.4	4.7	4.5
Cuba [a]	0.5	3.9	0.1	1.1
Jamaica [b]	5.4	4.9	5.1	4.5
Haiti [a]	2.2	2.8	1.8	2.0
Dominican Republic [a]	10.6	9.8	5.6	5.9
Leeward and Windward Islands [b]	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.7
Barbados [b]	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5
Trinidad and Tobago [b]	6.8	5.1	3.7	3.4
Netherlands Antilles	7.4	7.4	6.3	6.3
French West Indies	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.4
South America	177.8	170.4	186.6	167.1
Colombia [a]	20.7	18.3	23.6	18.9
Venezuela [a]	53.3	42.4	41.8	39.0
British Guiana [b]	1.3	0.8	1.0	0.9
Surinam	1.8	1.4	1.6	1.3
French Guiana	0.1	(*)	(*)	0.1
Ecuador [a]	4.4	4.7	3.7	3.7
Peru [a]	16.5	19.7	17.7	15.3
Bolivia [a]	2.3	3.0	2.4	2.6
Chile [a]	13.4	16.6	15.3	14.2
Brazil [a]	40.0	39.3	32.5	35.4
Paraguay [a]	1.2	1.4	0.8	0.7
Uruguay [a]	3.1	4.5	4.1	3.7
Argentina [a]	19.7	18.3	42.2	31.2
Falkland Islands [b]	...	...	...	(*)
Europe	670.0	692.1	583.7	542.7
Iceland [b,c,d]	0.9	1.7	1.1	1.1
Sweden [c,d]	23.2	26.1	27.9	21.7
Norway [c,d]	10.4	9.1	9.8	7.9

See footnotes at end of table.

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MARCH 1963 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Continent and country[1]	March 1963	February 1963	March 1962	Monthly average 1962
Europe—Continued				
Denmark[c,d]	11.9	16.8	10.7	10.4
United Kingdom[b,c,d]	107.7	106.0	91.1	89.6
Ireland (Eire)[b,c,d]	3.7	4.1	2.9	4.9
Netherlands[c,d]	68.6	73.6	53.0	62.7
Belgium and Luxembourg[c,d]	48.3	43.0	39.2	37.3
France[c,d]	70.7	67.1	50.6	48.8
West Germany[c,d]	111.2	119.5	101.2	89.7
East Germany	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1
Austria[c,d]	5.1	4.6	5.1	4.9
Czechoslovakia	1.5	0.4	0.1	0.6
Hungary	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.1
Switzerland[c,d]	26.9	29.3	25.2	24.9
Finland[c]	7.3	5.6	4.6	4.8
Estonia	...	...	...	...
Latvia	0.8	1.3	0.7	0.4
Lithuania	0.3	...	...	(*)
Poland and Danzig	5.6	5.7	16.3	7.9
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	0.9	1.8	0.2	1.3
Azores	(*)	(*)	(*)	0.1
Spain[c,d]	27.9	27.6	17.3	19.4
Portugal[c,d]	5.4	4.9	5.5	4.3
Gibraltar[b]	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.5
Malta and Gozo[b]	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Italy[c,d]	73.2	83.2	77.0	64.0
Free Territory of Trieste[c,d]	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Yugoslavia[c]	24.2	24.3	18.4	12.9
Albania	...	...	...	...
Greece[c,d]	12.4	12.6	5.7	5.6
Rumania	0.1	(*)	(*)	0.1
Bulgaria	0.1	...	...	(*)
Turkey[c,d]	19.4	22.3	19.3	16.2
Cyprus[b]	0.3	0.1	(*)	0.5
Unidentified Countries in Western Europe[7,c,d]	...	...	0.1	(*)
Asia	469.9	427.8	344.8	343.7
Syrian Arab Republic	1.6	1.8	2.7	2.5
Lebanon	7.1	3.9	4.1	3.6
Iraq (Mesopotamia)	3.6	3.9	2.8	2.9
Iran (Persia)	9.2	10.2	12.9	8.1
Israel	15.3	16.2	20.6	14.6
Palestine	(*)	...	(*)	(*)
Jordan[b]	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.7
Kuwait[b]	7.6	5.9	5.7	5.3
Saudi Arabia	5.9	7.1	5.5	6.5
Arabia Peninsula States, n.e.c	1.6	0.8	1.1	1.2
Aden[b]	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.3
State of Bahrein[b]	1.2	1.2	0.7	0.7
Afghanistan	0.9	1.1	0.2	0.5
India[b]	83.0	61.0	43.6	55.7
Goa, Damao and Diu[8]	(*)	...	...	(*)
Pakistan[b]	38.2	28.1	9.5	23.7
Nepal	(*)	...	(*)	(*)
Ceylon[b]	0.8	0.9	1.8	1.1
Burma[b]	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6
Thailand (Siam)	7.5	7.8	5.5	5.9
Viet-Nam	12.1	13.0	8.5	8.7
Laos	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.3
Cambodia	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.9
Federation of Malaya[b]	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.7
State of Singapore; British Borneo[b]	4.6	4.7	2.9	4.3
Republic of Indonesia	13.2	6.9	11.1	10.0
Republic of the Philippines	35.0	27.9	23.2	22.4
Macao (Macau)	0.2	(*)		(*)
Portuguese Asia, n.e.c	...	...	(*)	(*)
Southern and Southeastern Asia, n.e.c	(*)	...	(*)	(*)
China (including Manchuria)	(*)	...	(*)	(*)

See footnotes at end of table.

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Continent and country[1]	March 1963	February 1963	March 1962	Monthly average 1962
Asia—Continued				
Outer Mongolia	...	...	...	...
North Korea	...	...	...	...
Republic of Korea	20.3	19.1	15.0	17.9
Hong Kong[b]	15.2	14.9	17.1	10.9
Taiwan (Formosa)	13.7	13.4	12.3	10.7
Japan	163.0	169.3	130.7	117.8
Nansei and Nanpo Islands, n.e.c	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.0
Australia and Oceania	41.9	48.9	32.9	39.1
Australia[b]	35.0	39.7	27.5	33.3
New Guinea[b]	0.1	0.1	(*)	0.1
New Zealand and Western Samoa[b]	6.0	8.1	4.6	4.7
British Western Pacific Islands[b]	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.1
French Pacific Islands	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Africa	99.1	98.5	86.8	81.7
Morocco	5.4	5.8	5.2	4.4
Algeria	3.7	7.3	3.7	4.2
Tunisia	4.8	1.0	3.5	3.8
Libya[b]	5.1	5.6	2.6	3.7
United Arab Republic (Egypt)	19.4	20.2	22.4	19.5
Sudan	0.9	0.5	1.1	1.1
Canary Islands	0.9	1.8	0.4	0.8
Spanish Africa, n.e.c	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Federal Republic of Cameroon	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4
Western Equatorial Africa, n.e.c	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.4
Western Africa, n.e.c	3.1	1.6	2.8	2.5
Ghana[b]	3.1	2.0	3.8	1.9
Federation of Nigeria[b]	5.5	2.3	4.5	2.8
British West Africa and Sierra Leone[b]	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Madeira Islands	(*)	0.1	(*)	0.1
Angola	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.0
Western Portuguese Africa, n.e.c	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Liberia	4.4	4.2	3.1	4.2
Republic of the Congo	8.1	7.0	7.4	5.7
Somali Republic	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.4
Ethiopia (Abyssinia)	1.3	2.2	0.8	1.9
French Somaliland	0.1	0.1	(*)	0.1
Seychelles and Dependencies[b]	(*)	...	...	(*)
Mauritius and Dependencies[b]	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
British East Africa and Tanganyika[b]	1.6	2.0	1.3	1.8
Mozambique	1.4	0.7	0.4	0.6
Malagasy Republic	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2
Republic of South Africa[b]	25.1	29.8	19.4	18.6
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland[b]	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.1

[a]Latin American Republics. [b]Sterling area countries. [c]Western Europe. [d]O.E.C.D. (Organization for European Economic Co-operation and Development) countries in Europe. *Indicates less than $50,000. [1]For definitions of countries as used in this report, refer to current edition of Schedule C, Classification of Country Designations Used in Compiling the United States Foreign Trade Statistics. [2]Country detail is not reported in the export statistics for Special Category commodities for security reasons. For certain areas, export totals include Special Categories, as shown at the beginning of the table. Export figures for other areas and countries represent total exports less exports of Special Category commodities. See the January 1961 issue of Report No. FT 410 for a list of Special Category commodities. [3]Includes $66.6 million of Department of Defense Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments ($16.0 million to Western Europe). [4]Includes $84.2 million of Department of Defense Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments ($32.4 million to Western Europe). [5]Includes $61.7 million of Department of Defense Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments ($28.7 million to Western Europe). [6]Includes $60.6 million of Department of Defense Military Assistance Program—Grant-Aid shipments ($22.5 million to Western Europe.) [7]As explained in the April 1958 issue of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes, this is an arbitrary category established with April 1958 statistics to cover certain shipments to unidentified countries in Western Europe. [8]Effective with the statistics for July 1962, the country designation "Portuguese Asia, n.e.c.," comprising Goa, Damao, Diu and Portuguese Timor became obsolete. Beginning with the September 1962 issue of this report, data for Goa, Damao and Diu are shown separately while data for Portuguese Timor are included along with data for other countries in the figures for "Southern and Southeastern Asia, n.e.c."